SENATE BILL 3308

By Kelsey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8; Title 38; Title 39; Title 40 and Title 53, relative to criminal law.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-35-301, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection (c):
 - (c) If the fine is fixed by the jury as provided in subsection (b), then the court shall instruct the jury that it may consider the defendant's personal income and ability to pay when determining the amount of fine to impose, if any.
 - SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.